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Applicants: DAVID M. BAINS ET AL. :

Serial No.: 60/177,748 : Group Art Unit

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR :
PERFORMING GEARBOX FINAL :
ASSEMBLY CLEAN CHECK :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Prior to any action on the merits of this above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendment.

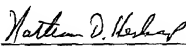
In the Specification

Before the first paragraph please insert the following:
-- Benefit of Provisional Application Number 60/177,748, filed on January 21, 2000, is hereby claimed. --

REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is made in order to make reference to the Provisional Application Number 60/177,748 filed previously.

Respectfully submitted,


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